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By the King,

A PROCLAMATION

For Diſſolving this preſent Parliament, and declaring the Calling of Another.

GEORGE R.

WHEREAS we have thought fit, by and with the Advice of our Privy Council, to diſſolve this preſent Parliament, which now ſtands prorogued to Thurſday the Twenty-fifth Day of this Inſtant April: We do for that End publiſh this our Royal Proclamation; and do hereby diſſolve the ſaid Parliament accordingly: And the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and the Knights, Citizens, and Burgeſſes, and the Commiſſioners for Shires and Burghs of the Houſe of Commons, are diſcharged from their Meeting and Attendance on Thurſday the ſaid Twenty-fifth Day of this Inſtant April. And we being deſirous and reſolved, as ſoon as may be, to meet our People, and have their Advice in Parliament, do hereby make known to all our loving Subjects our Royal Will and Pleaſure to call a new Parliament; and do hereby further declare, That, with the Advice of our Privy Council, we have this Day given Order to our Chancellor of Great Britain, to iſſue out Writs in due Form, for calling a new Parliament; which Writs are to bear Teſte on Tueſday the Ninth Day of this Inſtant April, and to be returnable on Friday the Thirty-firſt Day of May next.

Given at our Court at St. *James's* the Eighth Day of *April*, 1754, in the Twenty-ſeventh Year of our Reign.

GOD ſave the KING.

By the King,

A PROCLAMATION,

In Order to the Electing and Summoning the Sixteen Peers of Scotland.

GEORGE R.

WHereas we have in Council thought fit to declare our Pleaſure for ſummoning and holding a Parliament of Great-Britain, on Friday the Thirty-firſt Day of May next enſuing the Date hereof: In order therefore to the electing and ſummoning the Sixteen Peers of Scotland, who are to ſit in the Houſe of Peers in the ſaid Parliament; we do, by the Advice of our Privy-Council, iſſue forth this our Royal Proclamation, ſtrictly charging and commanding all the Peers of Scotland to aſſemble and meet at Holy Rood Houſe in Edinburgh, on Tueſday the Twenty firſt Day of May next enſuing, between the Hours of Twelve and Two in the Afternoon, to nominate and chooſe the Sixteen Peers to ſit and vote in the Houſe of Peers in the ſaid enſuing Parliament, by open Election and Plurality of Voices of the Peers that ſhall be then preſent, and of the Proxies of ſuch as ſhall be abſent, (ſuch Proxies being Peers) and producing a Mandate in Writing, duly ſigned before Witneſſes, and both the Conſtituent and Proxy being qualified according to Law. And the Lord Clerk Regiſter, or ſuch two of the principal Clerks of the Seſſion, as ſhall be appointed by him to officiate in his Name, are hereby reſpectively required to attend ſuch Meeting, and to adminiſter the Oaths required by Law to be taken there by the ſaid Peers, and to take their Votes; and immediately after ſuch Election made, and duly examined, to certify the Names of the Sixteen Peers ſo elected, and ſign and atteſt the ſame, in the Preſence of the ſaid Peers the Electors, and return ſuch Certificate into our High Court of Chancery of Great Britain. And we do, by this our Proclamation, ſtrictly command and require the Provoſt of Edinburgh, and all other the Magiſtrates of the ſaid City, to take eſpecial Care to preſerve the Peace thereof during the Time of the ſaid Election; and to prevent all Manner of Riots, Tumults, Diſorders, and Violence whatſoever. And we ſtrictly charge and command, That this our Royal Proclamation be duly publiſhed at the Market Croſs at Edinburgh, and in all the County Towns of Scotland, Twenty five Days at leaſt before the Time hereby appointed for the Meeting of the ſaid Peers, to proceed to ſuch Election.

Witneſs ourſelf at *Weſtminſter*, the Eighth Day of *April*, 1754, in the Twenty ſeventh Year of our Reign.

GOD Save the KING.

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AT the Court at St. *James's* the 8th Day of *April*, 1754,

PRESENT,

The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

HIS Majeſty in Council was this Day pleaſed to order, that the reſpective Convocations of Canterbury and York ſhould be forthwith diſſolved; and that the Right Honourable the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain ſhould iſſue Writs for Electing new Members for the ſaid Convocations of the Clergy; which Writs are to bear Teſte the Tenth Day of this Inſtant April, and be returnable on the Fifth Day of June next.

Barcelona, March 9. There are now in this Port four Men of War of the Line, three Frigats of 24 Guns each, and ſome other armed Veſſels, waiting only for their laſt Orders to put to Sea, in order to cruize on the Corſairs of Barbary, which greatly interrupt the Navigation all along this Coaſt.

Warſaw, March 15. The King having ſignified his Intention to come here in the Summer, Orders are already given for making Preparations for his Majeſty's Reception. According to our laſt Advices from the Ukraine, the Heyducks have begun to appear again in great Numbers upon the Frontiers, where they have already pillaged, and ſet Fire to the Houſes in ſeveral Villages.

Vienna, March 20. The Emperor has granted to a Body of Merchants in this City, the Manufacture of Cotton lately eſtabliſhed in the Lordſhip of Hollitſch, to which ſeveral Privileges are annexed, in order to ſecure its Succeſs. This Morning the hereditary Prince of Modena took his Leave of their Imperial Majeſties and all the Royal Family; and Tomorrow his Serene Highneſs propoſes to ſet out for Munich. A Reſolution is taken at Court to ſend ſome able Enginiers into Croatia, to take an accurate Survey and Plan of that Country. We hear from Moravia, that Count Hohenembs is ſo ill at his Seat in that Province, that his Phyſicians have very little Hopes of his Recovery. Her Imperial Majeſty has diſpoſed of the Government of the Fortreſs of Offen, vacant by the Death of Count Styrum, in Favour of General Count Nadaſty. We are informed by our laſt Letters from Conſtantinople, that the Contagious Diſtemper, which had ceaſed for ſome Time in that Capital, is broke out again; whereupon Orders were immediately diſpatched to Hungary, Tranſylvania, and the other hereditary Countries bordering upon Turkey, to take all neceſſary Precautions for cutting off all Communication with that Country, in order to prevent that fatal Diſtemper's being brought into any Part of her Imperial Majeſty's Dominions.

Copenhagen, March 23. They are making the neceſſary Diſpoſitions, purſuant to the King's Orders, for the Camp that is to be formed in the Month of May next in the Neighbourhood of Flensbourg. Laſt Week Baron Korff, the Ruſſian Envoy, had an Audience of the King, and communicated to his Majeſty the Contents of ſome Diſpatches he received from Moſcow. The Froſt is ſet in ſo very ſevere in theſe Parts, that ſeveral Ships and Veſſels, that had taken in their Loading, and were ready to put to Sea, cannot ſtir out of Port for the Ice, among which are the Neptune and the Demoiſelle Pauline, two of our Eaſt-India Company's Ships. The Directors of the Bank of this Country have declared, that they will make a Dividend, this Year, amongſt their Proprietors, of ten and a half per Cent.

Berlin, March 26. The King, accompanied by Prince Ferdinand of Brunſwick, Prince Maurice of Anhalt-Deſſau, the young Prince of Brunſwick Bevern, Field Marſhal Keith, Governor of this City, and ſeveral General Officers, arrived here on Saturday laſt from Potzdam. The Chamberlain Baron Ahlefeld, who arrived here the ſame Day, in Quality of Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Denmark, will have his firſt Audiences the next Week. On Sunday Prince Maurice of Anhalt Deſſau ſet out from hence to join his Regiment in Garriſon at Stargard. Colonel Beſchewitz, who had the Command of the Second Regiment of Foot Guards, has ſollicited and obtained Leave to quit his Majeſty's Service, but his Regiment is not yet diſpoſed of. We hear that our Embden Company's Ship the Prince of Pruſſia, that had been drove into one of the Ports of Norway, by contrary Winds, is put to Sea again, and proceeded on her Voyage to China, the Crew being all very healthy. 'Tis ſaid the King is reſolved to raiſe ſome new Battallions in Sileſia, which are to conſiſt of the Subjects of that Country only.

Hambourg, March 29. The Syndick Klefeger, who happily adjuſted the Differences between the Regency of this City and the Court of Spain, by which our Trade was opened again with that Kingdom, and who went afterwards from Madrid to execute a private Commiſſion at the Court of Verſailles, returned here Yeſterday.

Utrecht, April 2. The Burgomaſters and Council of this City have, by an Ordonnance iſſued for that Purpoſe, ſtrictly forbid all the Inhabitants, within their Juriſdiction, from ſetting up any Kind of Lottery whatſoever, or from being concerned in any Foreign Lotteries, except thoſe of the Generality, under ſevere Pains and Penalties.

Hague, April 3. The States of Holland and Weſtfrizeland are to open their Aſſembly Tomorrow, for which Purpoſe moſt of the Members are already arrived; and the Deputies of the ſeveral Colleges of the Admiralty, who have been here for ſome Time, will continue to deliberate on the Affairs of their Department till the End of this Week. Her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Governante having appointed M. Geuſau to the Poſt of Major of the Town of Harlingen, he this Day took the uſual Oaths before the Council of State, to qualify himſelf for that Employment. We are informed by our

our laſt Letters from Bruſſels, that the two Princes Corſini, who have been there for about two Months, were ſet out from thence for Liege.

Whitehall, April 9.

The King has been pleaſed to appoint Sir Dudley Rider, his Majeſty's Attorney-General, to be Chief Juſtice of the Court of King's Bench, in the room of the late Lord Chief Juſtice Lee.

The King has been pleaſed to appoint the Honourable William Murray, Eſq; his Majeſty's Sollicitor General, to be his Attorney General, in the room of Sir Dudley Rider, Knt.

Whitehall, April 9.

The King has been pleaſed to conſtitute and appoint Richard Shelley, William Blair, Mathew Kenrick and John Barnard, Eſqrs. together with Robert Thompſon, Eſq; in the Room of John Plumptre, Eſq; to be Commiſſioners for managing the Duties on Stampt Vellum, Parchment and Paper, &c. And alſo to conſtitute and appoint Wadham Wyndham, Eſq; to be Secretary or chief Clerk to the ſaid Commiſſioners.

The King has been pleaſed to grant unto Richard Herbert, Eſq; the Office of Keeper of the Change and Money within his Majeſty's Tower of London, and of Keeper of the Coinage of Gold and Silver within that Part of his Majeſty's Kingdom of Great Britain called England, in the Room of Sir Andrew Fountain, Knt. deceaſed.

Whitehall, April 9.

The King has been pleaſed to grant unto Charles Saunders, Eſq; the Office of Treaſurer and Receiver General of all the Moneys and other Profits which ſhall be given or appointed for the Building, Furniſhing or Endowing his Majeſty's Royal Hoſpital at Greenwich in the County of Kent.

Whitehall, April 4, 1754.

Whereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That on Tueſday the 26th of March laſt, about Four o'Clock in the Morning, a Barn, with a great deal of Corn, and Hay-Ricks, belonging to Thomas Field, at Hindon, in the County of Wilts, were, wilfully and maliciouſly, ſet on Fire, and burnt down to the Ground: His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice, the Perſons concerned in ſetting the ſaid Barn and Hay-Ricks on Fire, is, hereby, pleaſed to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any one of them, who ſhall diſcover his Accomplice, or Accomplices, therein, (except the Perſon who actually ſet the ſaid Barn and Hay-Ricks on Fire) ſo that he, ſhe, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HOLDERNESSE.

And, as a further Encouragement, the ſaid Thomas Field does, hereby, promiſe a Reward of Twenty Pounds to any Perſon, making ſuch Diſcovery, as aforeſaid, to be paid, by him, upon the Conviction of one or more of the Criminals.

Thomas Field.

Whitehall, April 6, 1754.

Whereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That a Paper was dropt, near the Houſe of the Reverend Mr. Charles Liddell, at Wakeburſt, in the County of Suſſex, containing Threats of Miſchief to the ſaid Mr. Liddell: His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering, and bringing to Juſtice, the Perſons therein concerned, is hereby pleaſed to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any one of the Offenders, (except the Perſon who actually wrote the ſaid Paper) who ſhall diſcover his or her Accomplice, or Accomplices, ſo that he, ſhe, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

T. ROBINSON.

And, as a farther Encouragement, the ſaid Mr. Liddell does hereby promiſe a Reward of Thirty Pounds to any Perſon, that ſhall make ſuch Diſcovery, to be paid on the Conviction of the Offender or Offenders.

Charles Liddell.

General Poſt Office, March 2, 1754.

Whereas the Poſt Boy, bringing the Kent Mail to this Office, upon Thurſday the 28th of February laſt, was, between the Hours of Eight and Nine of the Clock in the Evening, attacked and robbed, at a Place called Snipps Hill, about a Mile beyond Sittingborn by three Footpads, one of whom fired a Piſtol, ſeized the Horſe which carried the Mail, beat the ſaid Poſt Boy cruelly, and cut the Mail from the Horſe and carried it away.

Two of the Perſons who committed this Robbery are deſcribed as ſhort Men, dreſſed like Sailors; and the other a tall Man in a red Coat.

This is therefore to give Notice, That whoever ſhall apprehend and convict, the Perſons, or any of them who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, *over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Perſon or Perſons, whether Accomplice in the ſaid Robbery, or knowing thereof, do, or ſhall make Diſcovery, whereby any one, or more of the Perſons, who committed the ſame, may be apprehended and brought to Juſtice, ſuch Diſcoverer, or Diſcoverers will, upon Conviction of any one, or more, of the ſaid Robbers, be intitled to the ſame Reward of* Two Hundred Pounds, *and alſo have his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon.*

By Command of the Poſt-Maſter-General,

Geo. Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

N. B. This Mail was afterwards found and brought ſafe to the Office.

Aſſurance Office, Serjeants Inn, Fleet-ſtreet, April 9, 1754.

The Corporation of the Amicable Society for a Perpetual Aſſurance Office, do hereby give Notice, That at Lady-Day *laſt paſt there were in Arrear five Quarterly Payments due to the ſaid Society, on each of the ſeveral Policies number'd as follows, viz.*

Numbers, 72, 73, 92, 125, 160, 162, 186, 266, 485, 587, 683, 756, 860, 967, 1154, 1179, 1243, *and* 1714.

On each of which ſeveral Policies, there is due to the ſaid Society for the ſaid Five Quarterly Payments, the Sum of Six Pounds Seventeen Shillings; and that unleſs the ſeveral Perſons entituled to the ſaid Policies, number'd as above, do pay off their Arrears within three Calendar Months from the Date hereof, ſuch Defaulters, their Nominees, and their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators, and Aſſigns, will, by Virtue of the ſupplemental Charter of the ſaid Society, ſtand abſolutely excluded.

John Pye, *Regiſter.*

River Dee Office, April 8, 1754.

Notice is hereby given, that the General Court of the Company of Proprietors of the Undertaking for Recovering and Preſerving the Navigation of the River Dee, which was held this Day, will be held by Adjournment on Thurſday next, the 11th Inſtant, at the ſaid Office, at Twelve of the Clock in the Forenoon,

By Order of the General Court,

Thomas Lane, *Secretary.*